

Application No. 09/606,884

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-11, 13-28 and 30-52 are pending in the Application. By this Amendment, claim 15 is amended, which is supported by the specification, for example, at page 17, lines 25-29 and page 18, lines 15-22. No new matter has been introduced by this Amendment.

Claims 1, 4-11, 13, 14, 20-28 and 30-37 are allowed. Currently, claims 15-19 and 38-42 stand as rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 first paragraph, and claims 47-52 stand as rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) and (e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,549,880 to Koksang. The rejection of claims 47-52 are presently being appealed. The present amendments are intended to address the rejection of claims 15-19 and 38-42 to put these claims in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection of claims 15-19 and 38-42 based on the following remarks.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §112

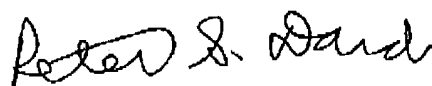
The Examiner rejected claims 15-19 and 38-42 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, for lack of enablement. In an Advisory Action dated July 24, 2003, the Examiner indicated that a previous attempt to amend claim 15 raised new issues due to the recitation of titanium oxide and would not be entered. To advance prosecution of this case and to put the case in better condition for appeal, Applicants have amended claim 15 to remove the reference to titanium oxide. As presently amended, Applicants believe that the claims are clearly enabled.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 are respectfully requested.

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The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

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